Fact finding Committee on IDPL

2681. PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO:
SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the terms of reference of the fact finding committee of Indian Medical Association on the IDPL;

(b) what are the causes for IDPL being sick and not giving dividends commensurate with investment;

(c) whether it is a fact that the medicines produced by IDPL were sold under a popular brand name at twice the cost; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to convince the public that the IDPL medicines are of a high quality?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Government has not constituted any such Committee. However, Indian Medical Association desired to visit production facilities in the public sector. Consequently a delegation of Indian Medical Association was invited by IDPL.

(b) The reasons for IDPL incurring losses are under-utilisation of installed capacities, increase in the cost of inputs, predominance of institutional sales etc.

(c) IDPL is selling its products within the prices fixed by Government.

(d) Steps are being taken by IDPL to acquaint the medical profession with GMP, quality control, Research and Development and marketing as practised in IDPL.

Exemption of Small Scale Units from Price Control

2682. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI): Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government issued a notification exempting from price control the small scale units of finished medicines based on category II drugs; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A copy of the Notification dated 16th October, 1987 is enclosed.

Copy of the Notification—

Government of India
Ministry of Industry

(Department of Chemicals & Petro-Chemicals)

ORDER

New Delhi, the 16th October, 1987

S.O. 924 (E). In exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 28 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, the Central Government here by exempts every drug manufacturing units registered as small scale unit with any Central Technical Authority or State Directorate of Industries or any other appropriate authority under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 (65 of 1951) from the operation of paragraphs 9, 10, 11 and 22(2) of the said Order, in so far as they relate

to formulations specified in Category II of Third Schedule of the said Order, subject to the conditions that:

(i) it is an independent unit| company and not a subsidiary of or owned or controlled in any manner by any other undertaking which is not so exempted from provisions of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987;

(ii) the formulations are marketed by the concerned unit|company in their own brand names and not in the brand names of and/or trade marks belonging to any other company;

(iii) a declaration complying with conditions (i) and (ii) above alongwith a copy of the Registration Certificate as a small scale unit is submitted to the Government within 60 days from the date of this notification in case of existing units and 60 days from the date of commencement of production in the case of new units.

NOTE: The above exemption to a small scale unit|company will be no longer be admisible as soon as it ceases to be a small scale unit|company.

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Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Sharing of Power in some Hydel Projects

2 2689. SHRI JASWANT SINGH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether, in accordance with the agreement of 10th May, 1984, between the Chief Ministers of Rajasthan, Haryana and Punjab it has been agreed that if the matter of sharing of power in Anandpur Saheb Hydel Project, Mukerian Hydel Project, Thein Dam Project, UBDO Stage 2and Shahpur Kandi Hydel Scheme, is not settled, it would be referred to a Supreme Court Judge for adjudication;

(b) whether the same has been done; and

(c) if so, what is the present status of the agreement of 10th May, 1984?

THE MINSTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A reference to the Supreme Court has not been made.

Judgement on te Prices of Essential Drugs

2684. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2362 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 30th November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether Government have since examined the Delhi High Court's judgement dated the 31st August, 1987 upholding the prices of essential drugs and regarding recovery of overcharging done by the companies from the poor consumers; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction there to?